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SUBJECT: CIEC: EIGHT VS. NINETEEN

A FRENCH VIEW

AT OECD HIGH-LEVEL GROUP ON COMMODITIES GOF WILL BE REPRESENTED AS USUAL BY CLAUDE COLLIN (IN CHARGE OF MULTILATERAL AFFAIRS AT DREE). EXPLAINING HIS EARLIER OPPOSITION TO CONVENING HLGC, COLLIN SAID FRENCH CONCEIVED CIEC DIALOGUE AS BEST LEFT OPEN AND RELATIVELY UNSTRUCTURED AT THE BEGINNING. OECD COMMITTEES COULD BE USED TO KEEP OECD MEMBERS NOT PARTICIPATING IN DIALOGUE INFORMED OF DEVELOPMENTS. TOO MUCH COORDINATION AT THE BEGINNING WOULD PROVOKE RIGIDITY ON OTHER SIDE AS WELL AND MAKE DIALOGUE APPEAR TO BE A NEGOTIATION IF NOT A CONFRONTATION. AN EARLY IMPASSE WOULD DAMAGE PROSPECTS FOR A FRUITFUL DIALOGUE, AND GOF WANTS DIALOGUE "TO SUCCEED." COMMENT: COLLIN'S VIEWS ARE CONSISTENT WITH EC DECISION RE COORDINATION. HOWEVER, COLLIN SHOWED

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HE WAS UNAWARE OF POSITIONS BEING TAKEN BY GOF REGARDING

OTHER COMMISSIONS. HIS BOSS, BERTRAND LARRERA DE MOREL
WILL ATTEND CORM ACCOMPANIED BY TESSIER OF COLLIN'S
STAFF.
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